## BILL ON A RAMBLE

He Writes from Pennsylvania About Things in General

AIL ROADS AND OTHER ROADS

Waiters in New York Keep the Walf from the Door-The Story of a Drunkard-Three Husbende.



med of. Yet it does not one my friends, but I do not care to extend

ad hoodium. It does not care for Gred or man. It was given so much trainable land for building its read that its head immediately swelled, and ever since then the poor farmers along its line

ince then the poor formers along its line have had no rights.

The New England read is very gentlemanly, and even in railrand hands, they lell me, are manicured every day. Yet is not so cerdial as some reads. I make searce freezing to death last winter in the New England read than I ever life in a snew blockede on the Union

rages reads throughout the coun-generally a disgrace to civiliza-ed before we undertake to supply underwear and sesistin covered underwear and sesistin covered

The country system, as I recall, it, was any hopkered about as poor and insertions as it could well be. Each town-to mae divided up into read districts, and each read district was presided over by an evenuer of highways, whose duty a was to collect someny days' work or so many delians from each tangaper in the intract. Of course no tangaper would make mud pies on the road all day and into and gessip with the neighbors and may his deliar too. The result seemed to be that the work done was mindirected. rally an injury to the road. due respect to the farmer, I right here that he dogs not The prefenteual remidualder, the memory used by ignorant exp-and self made read sphiltrets, in a few years make reads in the I States over which two or three the present sixed lead sould be drawn, and the dumb beaute of public would rise up and call us

"How was that?"

"Well, he had a sirioin steak tone and used it on all his sirioin contenses. He would get a along furty cent steak in the kitchen and insert this bene underneath it on route, then he would ask if the guest would have it carved, and of course the guest would have it carved, and of course the guest would. Then he would bring the sirioin steak as ordered, with the bone apparently cut out and laid on one side. After the guest was through, Mr. Waiter again teek personness of the bone, which he kept under his jacket ready for mother two dellar sirioin steak victim."

Waiters are often, I am afraid, somewhat given to this sert of thing, especially at the semide reserts. So also are the proprietors. I am glad if the waiters get even with some of the robbers' roosts

get even with some of the robbers' roosts in which they are employed.

Once I thought I would like a clambake at Long Branch. I had done well the previous winter playing to standing room only, and so I said to two or three friends: "Let us make merry. Behold the clam is white for the harvest. We will go even unto Pleasure key and we will open a want facth."

And we went facth.

And we went forth. We had a quart of unshucked classe with drawn butter. It was drawn by an amatour artist from Throgg's Neck. We also had a water-melon. That was all. In New England this meal would have been seventy-five cents or one dellar perhaps.

Our bill was twenty-three dollars, without wine. Ever since then I take my dismer with me when I go to Long Branch.

Yesterday we saw a house at Lancaster in which natural gas had been used to excess. One wister day Mr. Natural Gas sprung aleak under the street, and as there was no method of egress except to follow the pipe along to this gentleman's house, it did so, and thus filled his cellar full of nice new gas that had never been used before. By and by the kired man was heard to soratch a match briskly against himself, and in an instant there was not a beick left on top of stant there was not a beick left on top of another brick. The house was Merally demokished and wiped out of existence.

There were seven people in the house, and, strange to say, not one of them was killed. Some of course were injured, but all recovered, and some were hardly hurt at all. You would not believe it to look at the house.

Lancaster is also supplied with a Drunkards' retreat. It is not one of the Keeley brand, but a sort of independent institution, using similar means, but refusing to pay tribute to the great menopoly at Dwight. I visited the institution, and can now say that I am a wall man, returned to my family and filends with no mere desire to touch alteriolic liquors than anything.

The place is pleasantly located in the residence portion of town. I visited it at the hour when the patient receives his jab in the arm. There is no mystery to it except the liquid given. That is not known to the average ciffsen. All we know is that the patient has his stroutstion brought up to a bichloride of gold standard and he is given full value among other men.

among other men.
"It is insanity," said a graduate of the
Leavenworth institution. "It was in Leavenworth institution. "It was in my case at least alcoholic insanity. No same man would have done as I did. Practically I was not a right soler man



ALL LIVING HAPPELY. to sell a silver mine in Utah. I was to have \$30,000 for it and a share of the

an officer of the company.

"A friend came to me the day before
the meeting at which the money was to
be paid and the election held. "George,"
he said, "for God's sake try to hespanber
until this matter is safely settled. It is the turning point in your life. After-ward, if you want to have a little spree.

buyers of the mine had gone away, and though it was three years ago they have

not yet returned.
"I started out for Dwight then, I suppose. I did not quite hand where I was going, but on the way I struck Leaven-

I will be home on the 5 o'clock train she knows I will. She is the happing wom-an I over my in my life. She has a few small wrinkies around her open where the tegre have sort of left their marks, but I know who put 'om there, and God helping me there shall be no more of them."

And yet I am not interested financially in the Keeley institute. I do not know Dr. Keeley. In fact I am told that he is a selfish, grasping and ignorant man, but I welcome say good that anybody may do even accidentally. Now and then a graduate dies, but probably he would have died of drink if he had not gene to the hospital, whereas he now dies seber.

We stopped the other night at a house where the landiady had three bushends all living quistly and jeyfully in the same house with her. We saw them all.

rame house with her. We saw them all. They all set at the same table, eating breakfast and chatting gayly together, it was at Bellaire, C.

The name of the lady was Husband, and Mr. H. and the two children made up the other three. Mr. Husband gives me necessaries to revise this in the name. me permission to print this in the paper. Good room and board at his hetst, two

The Barber Tree.

There are many odd and curious specimens of botanical sarities in the Government Botanical gardens at Washington. None, however, attracts more attention than that remarkable oriental editity, the "barber plant." It was not given its odd name, as some might suppose, became its leaves are life reason or its cap like lather. Nother will its larger bark make splendid towels (as is said of the "vegetable cloth" tree), or its seeds make reasor hones. It is simply called the barber plant became the juspes of either the leaves or first applied to the face prevents the beard from growing. Mr. Davis anys that this does not apply to cases where the beard has taken root, but that it may be applied with perfect safety by boys who desire to keep the but that it may be applied with perfect enfety by beys who desire to keep the hair on their faces from getting a start. —St. Louis Republic.

James Whitecomb Riley tells a little tory that charmingly illustrates the ex-perimental tendency of humanicine. On

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